

ST. MARY'S ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH - - CHOIR REPORT 1967

St. Mary's Choir as in other years has been concentrating on improving its singing ability by regular rehearsals once a week under the capable guidance of Choirmaster, Dr. Arra Avakian. We have 17 choir members. Annual election was conducted in May 1967 and the following officers were elected:

Chairman	=	Ashod Krikorian
Treasurer	=	Alice Peltekian
Secretary	=	Astrik Aznavorian
Advisors	=	Lillian Kasparian and Arra Avakian

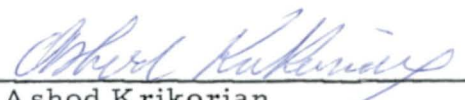
ACTIVITIES

1. Promoted drive for new members by having Musical Night, during which the audience participated in group singing. Refreshments were donated by Mr. & Mrs. Jack Babashanian and served after the program.
2. In March 1967 an Organ Recital was presented in the church to celebrate the payment in full of the church organ. Refreshments were served by the choir.
3. On November 10, 11 and 12, 1967, St. Mary's Choir was host to the 21st Annual Choir Assembly, which was held at the Chevy Chase Motor Lodge, followed by a Banquet at the Governor's House. The entire Assembly consisting of about 55 members from various States, was directed by His Grace, Bishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate of North America and Canada.

On Sunday morning, His Grace celebrated Holy Badarak at St. Mary's, at which time he gave the degree of "Vartabed" to the Pastor of the parish, Very Rev. Paren Avedikian. The Bishop also ordained 5 new sub-deacons -- Vahan Kurkjian, Sahag Dedeyan, John Rinehart, Richard Avedikian and David Andonian.

Next year's Assembly will be hosted by the choir of St. John's Armenian Church in Detroit, Michigan.

Financial statement is attached.

  
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Ashod Krikorian  
Chairman, Choir Association